

STEPHEN J. GALLO **Business Administrator** RICHARD I. GARTZ Chief Financial Officer

Executive Order #2020-1

TO ALL DEPARTMENTS, DIVISIONS, OFFICES, AGENCIES, AUTHORITIES, COMMISSIONS AND SUBDIVISIONS OF THE BOROUGH OF FREEHOLD, NEW JERSEY AND ALL CITIZENS, BUSINESSES, CORPORATIONS AND PERSONS WITHIN THE **BOROUGH BOUNDARIES**

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of New Jersey empower the Mayor of the borough to maintain peace and good order and have the power to suppress all riots and tumultuous assemblies in the borough. (NJSA 40A:60-5), and,

WHEREAS the borough is empowered by state law to maintain order and preserve the public peace (NJSA 40:48-1), and,

WHEREAS a national state of emergency has been declared by the President of the United States related to the current Coronavirus, COVAD-19 Pandemic and,

WHEREAS the Governor of the State of New Jersey has also declared a statewide state of emergency, and,

WHEREAS the Borough of Freehold is charged with protecting the public safety, health and welfare and sufficient cause exists to declare that a state of emergency does, in fact, exist within the borough, and,

WHEREAS provisions exist in state law to enable municipalities to declare that a local state of emergency exists, and that certain measures are prudent and must be enacted to preserve the public peace, and protect the health, safety and welfare of the community at large,

Now, therefore, it is hereby ORDERED that:

- 1. A local state of emergency exists in the Borough of Freehold.
- 2. All non-essential businesses open to the general public where over 25 persons assemble shall be closed to the public effective March 16th, 2020 at 11:59PM. This shall include restaurants, licensed beverage establishments, gymnasiums, theaters and other places of public assembly.
- 3. Bars and restaurants with or without liquor licenses shall no longer be permitted to serve patrons within the establishment. Bars and restaurants that currently offer food service are encouraged and permitted to conduct food service for takeout and delivery only. The Chief of the Freehold Police Department is directed to facilitate the establishment of pick-up zones in proximity to any business that offers curbside pick-up
- 4. Any establishment with a Class C Retail Consumption liquor license shall no longer be permitted to sell, dispense or distribute alcohol for on premises consumption effective March 16th, 2020 at 11:59PM.

Now therefore in accordance with the powers vested in me by the laws of the state of New Jersey and the Ordinances of the Borough of Freehold, I do hereby declare that the above cited regulation are in effect in the Borough of Freehold until rescinded by appropriate authority.

Kevin A. Kane, Mayor

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